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SEMI-MONTHLY HONEY REPORT - VOL. XXXIX - NO. 1

SUMMARY

Milder weather than usual continued throughout the central portion of the nation, with below average temperatures continuing in far western and far eastern areas. Temperatures were cold enough to keep bees dormant and from consuming an excessive amount of stores which is favorable. Cleansing flights were made in most areas except in northeastern and in some north-central States. In occasional yards in New York State bees were showing signs of restlessness and need of a cleansing flight. In general bees are wintering very well in all areas where stores are sufficient.

Drought conditions continued to prevail in western portions of the central and lower Great Plains, with dry soil subject to blowing. Dust storms occurred in western Nebraska and eastern Colorado. Dry weather also continued to prevail in central Illinois. Precipitation was rather heavy in most eastern and southeastern States and also west of the Cascade mountains in Washington State. Precipitation was light elsewhere.

Demand for honey continued good, with supplies remaining in beekeepers' hands reported as light in all areas. The market was firm. Beekeepers' sales to bottlers of bulk honey ranged mostly 10-14¢ per lb., according to quality. Much of the trading in northern States for White or lighter colored clover honey was at 12-14¢ per lb.

Demand for crude beeswax also continued brisk, with the market holding firm. Beekeepers' sales f.o.b. shipping point for either light or dark color ranged mostly 47-49¢ per lb., with much of the trading at 47¢ in cash and 49¢ in trade. A few sales of dark color were reported low as 45¢, with a few small lots lower. A few sales of light color were reported at 50¢ per lb. Occasional cash sales to candle makers or for local use were reported at 52-53¢ per lb.

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INFORMATION FROM PRODUCING AREAS

CALIFORNIA POINTS: (Last half December)
Rainfall to date is above normal in Northern and Central California areas. Moisture conditions are good. Fog prevailed in this period, with temperatures mostly below normal. The Sacramento Valley had a north wind late in the period. Most plants are in good normal condition. Colonies continue in generally good normal condition for the most part. The amount of brood ranges from none to very little. Bees worked on eucalyptus and a few ornamentals in the Central and Southern San Joaquin Valley and on eucalyptus, manzanita, mustard, and a few other weeds in coastal areas, but generally were inactive in the more northernly sections. Relatively little movement was reported during the period. A few in the Northern Sacramento Valley were being taken to early manzanita and a few San Joaquin Valley bees were being taken to eucalyptus in Southern California or being moved from cotton to various spring locations.

The weather in Southern California was quite warm the greater share of the period, then turned colder near the close. A strong wind blew in some sections late in the period. Additional rains are needed in this region, though rains to date have put most plants in good condition. Bees in reach of nectar were raising brood. Broodrearing was considered too active in Los Angeles County. Desert colonies were dormant. Bees were working on eucalyptus and mustard. The Imperial Valley was having normal winter weather. Colonies entered the winter well supplied with honey. They are in winter clusters now. Offerings of honey by beekeepers were very light. Demand for domestic use was very good, with the market firm. Export activity was confined to filling of previous contracts. Most current trading for domestic use is on small lots.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST: (Period last half of December)
Oregon - Temperatures were normal with some snow and freezing above the 2,000 foot level. Honey supplies are very short.

Washington - Cooler weather the past two weeks was making bees more dormant. Colonies are generally in good condition. Some spring feeding will be necessary. More snow fell in the mountains with light flurries and light rains in the interior valleys making moisture conditions good. Precipitation was fairly heavy west of the Cascades. Demand for large bulk lots of honey was good.

INTERMOUNTAIN STATES: (Period Dec. 10-24)
Colorado - Moderate to heavy snowfall has helped the moisture situation in the mountains and western slope valleys, but eastern areas including the San Luis Valley received little snow and moisture conditions are poor. There were some dust storms in the eastern part of the State. Bees are reported to be wintering in normal condition.

Idaho - Weather turned colder during this period, but the mild fall earlier has caused bees to use much of their winter supply of

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HONEY PRICES REPORTED DURING PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT: These prices represent sales and quotations as reported by correspondent beekeepers and honey handlers. Because of the many thousands of beekeepers and handlers in the country these should be considered as representative prices and not as full and complete coverage of all transactions for any State or area:

PRODUCERS' SALES OF LARGE LOTS OF EXTRACTED HONEY TO BOTTLERS IN 60-POUND CANS, PER POUND

STATE	COLOR & FLORAL SOURCE	PRICE & BASIS OF SALE
CALIF.		
SOU.	Extra White Orange	13½¢ del.
	White Orange	12-12½¢ del.
	Extra White Sage	13½¢ del.
	White Sage	12½¢ del.
	Extra Light Amber Sage	11½¢ del.
	White, Bean	11½¢ del.
	Extra Light Amber, Sage-Buckwheat	11-11¼¢ del.
	Light Amber, Mixed Flowers	10½-11¢ del.
CENT.	White, Alfalfa-Cotton	10¢ f.o.b.
	White, Orange	14¢ del.
	Light Amber to White, Alfalfa	10½-11¢ del.
NOR.	Light Amber, Alfalfa & Thistle	10¢ del.
	Extra Light Amber, Alfalfa	10-10½¢ del.
OREG.	Vetch and Clover	11¢ f.o.b.
COLO.	White, Clover	11-12½¢ del.
	Light Amber, Mixed Flowers	9½-10 3/4¢ del.
MONT.	Water White, Clover	15¢ del. Calif.
N.MEX.	Various Flowers (cans exchanged)	10½¢ f.o.b.
IOWA	White, Clover	11 3/4-13¢ f.o.b.
NEBR.	White, Clover	13 1/2-14¢ f.o.b.
	Clover-Alfalfa	12¢ del.
KANS.	Extra White, Sweetclover	13½¢ f.o.b.
MICH.	Light Amber & White, Mixed Flowers	14¢ f.o.b.
WISC.	White Clover	13 1/2-14¢ f.o.b.
	Light Amber, Mixed Flowers	12¢ f.o.b.
MINN.	White, Sweetclover	12¢ del. Mpls.
	Light Amber, Mixed Flowers	11¢ del. Mpls.
	Mixed Clovers	13½¢ del.
OHIO	Buckwheat	11½¢ f.o.b.
IND.	White Clover	13-16¢ f.o.b. & del.
	Ambers, Various Flowers	13-15¢ f.o.b. & del.
ILL.	White Clover	14¢ f.o.b.
IA.	White Clover	11¢ del.
	" " drums	10½¢ del.

PRODUCER-PACKER OR PACKER SALES OF HONEY TO WHOLESALERS, RETAILERS & CONSUMERS

STATE	TYPE OF HONEY, CONTAINERS, COLOR AND FLORAL SOURCE 1/	SALES TO - WHOLESALERS (Generally delivered)	RETAILERS (Generally delivered)	CONSUMERS (Local Sales)
EXTRACTED HONEY - 60-POUND CANS - PER POUND				
COLO.	White, Sweetclover	-	-	15¢
TEXAS	Clover	18½¢	19.42¢	-
IOWA	White, Clover	-	-	15¢
NEBR.	Clover-Alfalfa	15¢	-	-
KANS.	Extra White, Sweetclover	-	-	17¢
WISC.	White and Golden, Clover, Basswood, Raspberry & Goldenrod	-	-	13¢
	White, Clover	15½¢	16½¢	-
MINN.	White, Clover	-	-	15-17¢
ILL.	Amber, Fall Flowers (to bakers 13¢)	-	-	-
	Various Flowers (to bakers 16¢)	-	-	-
PA.	Various Flowers	-	-	12½¢
TENN.	Vetch	-	-	12½¢
N.Y.	White, Clover	-	-	15¢
EXTRACTED HONEY - 5-POUND CONTAINERS - PER POUND				
COLO.	White, Clover	-	-	20¢
TEXAS	Clover	22.83¢	24.17¢	-
OKLA.	White Clover	20 1/3¢	15-21¢	-
N. MEX.	Various Flowers	16 2/3¢	-	-
IOWA	White, Clover	-	19¢	22¢
NEBR.	Clover	18¢	-	-
KANS.	Extra White, Alfalfa	-	-	20¢
	Extra White, Yellow and White Sweetclover	-	-	20-24¢
MICH.	White, Clover	-	17¢	22¢
WISC.	White & Golden, Various Flowers	-	-	15-20¢
	White, Clover	19 2/3¢	20 5/6¢	-
	White, Clover	-	16¢	-
MINN.	White, Clover	-	-	20-27¢
IND.	White, Clover	-	20¢	25-30¢
	Ambers, Mixed Flowers	-	20¢	25
ILL.	White, Clover	-	17¢	22¢
MD.	Various Flowers	-	-	30¢
TENN.	Vetch	-	-	25¢
N.Y.	White, Clover	-	-	25¢
FLA.	Tupelo	18 2/3¢	20¢	25¢

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STATE	TYPE OF HONEY, CONTAINERS, COLOR AND FLORAL SOURCE 1/	SALES TO - WHOLESALERS (Generally delivered)	RETAILERS (Generally delivered)	CONSUMERS (Local Sales)
		Per Case	Per Case	Per Jar
EXTRACTED HONEY - 12, 2-lb. CONTAINERS				
TEXAS	Clover	6.25	6.80	-
OKLA.	White, Clover	5.95	4.80-6.20	-
N.MEX.	Various Flowers	5.00	-	-
IOWA	White, Clover	-	4.80	50¢
NEBR.	Clover	5.00	-	-
WISC.	White, Clover	5.20	5.70	-
IND.	White, Clover	-	6.00	-
	Amber, Various Flowers	-	6.00	-
FLA.	Tupelo	5.60	6.00	55¢
EXTRACTED HONEY - 24, 1-POUND CONTAINERS				
TEXAS	Clover	6.50	7.00	-
OKLA.	White, Clover	6.15	6.00-6.40	-
N.MEX.	Various Flowers	5.25	-	-
IOWA	White, Clover	-	5.28	30¢
NEBR.	Clover-Alfalfa	5.45	-	-
MICH.	White, Clover	-	5.00	-
WISC.	White, Clover	-	6.50*	-
	White, Clover	5.50	6.40	-
IND.	White, Clover	-	6.96	-
	Amber, Various Flowers	-	6.96	-
N.Y.	White, Clover	-	-	30¢
PA.	Various Flowers	-	-	25¢
VA.	White & Light Ambers, Mixed Flowers	-	7.68	40¢
TENN.	Vetch	-	-	25¢
FLA.	Tupelo	5.75	6.25	33¢
EXTRACTED HONEY - 24, 8-oz. JARS				
TEXAS	Clover	3.70	4.00	-
OKLA.	White, Clover	3.60	3.75	-
NEBR.	Clover-Alfalfa	3.35	-	-
MICH.	White, Clover	-	3.36	-
WISC.	White, Clover	3.30	3.60	-
FLA.	Tupelo	3.75	4.00	20¢
SECTION COMB HONEY - CASES 24 SECTIONS				
KANS.	Extra White, Yellow & White Sweetclover 12 oz. & over	-	-	40¢ per sect.
ILL.	White, Clover, 12-15 oz. (to chain stores $8.65)	-	-	-
PA.	Various Flowers	-	-	$9.00 per case
VA.	White, Mixed Flowers	-	7.50	40¢ per sect.
TENN.	Vetch 14-oz.	-	-	30¢ " "
WRAPPED CUT COMB				
IOWA	White, Clover 12-14 oz. sections	-	30¢ each	35¢ each
CHUNK (BULK COMB) HONEY				
TEXAS	White, Clover, 24/1-lb. jars	31.2¢ lb.	34½¢ lb.	-
OKLA.	Light Amber, Cotton & Alfalfa 24/1-lb. jars	-	6.00	-
	12/2-lb. jars	-	4.00	-
ILL.	White, Clover 24/1-lb. jars (to chain stores $8.40)	-	-	-
MD.	Various Flowers -10-lb. cans	-	-	3.00
VA.	White, Mixed Flowers 2-lb. jars	-	80¢	1.00
TENN.	Vetch, 5-lb. jars	-	-	30¢ lb.

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STATE	TYPE OF HONEY, CONTAINERS, COLOR AND FLORAL SOURCE 1/	WHOLESALERS (Generally delivered)	RETAILERS (Generally delivered)	CONSUMERS (Local Sales)
CREAMED HONEY				
TEXAS	Clover, 24/10-oz. cups	5.00	5.50	-
WISC.	White, Clover, 12/1-lb. jars	2.75	3.20	-
	24/1-lb. jars		6.50*	-

1/State of origin indicates State where packed, not necessarily where produced. The term "Clover" includes most legumes such as White Dutch Clover, Hubam Clover, Yellow and White Sweetclover, and occasionally such legumes as Alfalfa and Vetch mixed with other Clovers. *Indicates sales f.o.b. shipping point.

INFORMATION FROM PRODUCING AREAS (CONTINUED)

INTERMOUNTAIN STATES: (Continued)

Idaho - stores. Local demand for honey has been good.

Montana - Weather has continued unseasonably mild, with no snow in eastern sections of the State. Colonies have had frequent flights during the period. Demand continued very good for honey, and there were frequent inquiries for beeswax.

Utah - Moisture received during early December has brought the water level up to about normal for this year. Precipitation the balance of the month has been light. Much more snow is needed in the mountains. The latter half of the period has been cold with temperatures down to 9 to 15 degrees above zero. Colonies of of bees were raising some brood and will increase in months to come. Many colonies will have to be fed in early March or April. Demand was good for extracted honey and the market continued to show signs of advancing. Trading was light as very little honey remains in producers' hands.

Nevada - Temperatures have turned cold after two good soaking rains. Prospects for water are now much brighter than they were a month ago, and if normal precipitation occurs during the winter the drought will have been broken.

SOUTHWESTERN STATES: (Period Dec. 11 - 25)

Southwest Texas - Dry weather continued to prevail - for three years in some areas, and prospects for plants for next year's honey crop are discouraging. Colonies of bees appear to be in satisfactory condition, with no feeding necessary at this time.

Southeast Texas - In the Coastal Bend Section, the weather has been extremely dry all fall and some hives will need feeding before spring. Most of all, rain will be needed. Colonies appear to be in fair to good condition.

Northeast Texas - A light rain fell on December 11, but not enough to do much good. The ground is very dry again, and clover and vetch seedlings need rain badly. Temperatures have been exceptionally mild, and bees flew almost daily.

Oklahoma - A rain of about one inch on December 11 helped moisture conditions in central and eastern parts of the State, but little has fallen since and central and western areas are suffering from dry weather. Dust storms occurred in western areas. There has not been enough moisture this fall to bring up alfalfa and other legume seedlings in western areas, and in central areas the condition of the seedlings is just fair. Local movement of honey continued fairly good, although there was a letup over the holidays, as usual. Some bottlers have advanced their prices 1¢ per lb. on packaged honey.

PLAINS STATES: (Period Dec. 11 - 25)

Red River Valley of Minnesota and North Dakota - The ground is generally covered with a light amount of snow. Temperatures have mostly been above zero, with thawing conditions in the sun. Bees could fly most days. Prices of honey have advanced some in retail stores, with demand reported as fair.

Iowa - Weather continued on the mild order of 20 to 30 degrees, with an occasional daytime high of 35 to 45 degrees. Bees are wintering well where stores are ample. Very little snow fell during this period, and thawing weather melted most of the snow from earlier storms. Demand for large bulk lots of honey continued good, with the market strong. Trading was light as little remains unsold in beekeepers' hands. Bottlers reported a good demand, especially for early January shipment.

Nebraska - Open mild weather has permitted bee flights often. Colonies are wintering well, except that they have consumed more honey than normal and much feeding will be necessary. Moisture conditions continued dry, with dust storms occurring in the western part of the State damaging pastures and grain fields. The ground was bare of snow. Clovers in all areas are in need of moisture.

Kansas - A light snow fell early in the period which has helped supply some surface moisture, but not the subsoil. Soil moisture was still acutely dry, and loose, and was blowing readily. Temperatures have been about normal - in low 20s at night and upper 50s or low 60s in daytime. Bees flew the last two or three days of the period. Colony strength is good, but many are below average in stores. Honey continued to move at a fair rate.

EAST CENTRAL AND NORTH CENTRAL STATES: (Period Dec. 12 - 26)

Michigan - Temperatures continued milder than usual except in the extreme eastern part of the State during this period. Snowfall was light. Bees are wintering well where stores are ample. There is much concern regarding stores, however, in some parts of the State. In the Thumb section, the weight of a scale hive on December 24 was 10 pounds lighter than in 20 years for which records have been

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Michigan - kept, even taking into consideration readings as late as February 10. Local demand for packaged honey varied from slow to moderate. Demand for large bulk lots was active but trading was light as little remains in producers' hands except where being held for sale after the turn of the year or for higher prices.

Wisconsin - Moderately cold temperatures prevailed during this period with only minor changes from day to day. Precipitation has been light. Snow cover ranged from about an inch in southern Wisconsin to 10 inches in the northern part of the State. Outside bees had no flights during this period but are wintering quietly. Some to be wintered in cellars have not yet been moved to cellars, awaiting a colder turn in the weather. Where bees have been moved to cellars, they have been wintering quietly. Demand for honey has been good even at higher prices. Offerings by beekeepers are quickly bought up by packers, and many beekeepers are sold out. Comb honey is getting in very short supply. Plants are in good condition.

Minnesota - Temperatures have been about normal. Snow cover was good in the southern portion of the State but lighter in the northern half. Clover plants are generally well protected. Bees have wintered well so far, as there has been no sub-zero weather. There have been no flight days so far in December. Many colonies are very light in stores and a few have starved. Losses from starvation this winter are expected to be above normal. Many colonies went into the winter the lightest in a number of years, if not fed. Demand for large bulk lots of extracted honey has been good. Prices have advanced. Most of the surplus has been sold. Packers state that much of this year's crop of honey is of much poorer quality than last season.

Ohio - Reports indicate all big lots of honey have been sold by commercial producers, except a few being held until after the turn of the year.

Indiana - During most of the period temperatures ranged about normal; but during the last two days soared to an unseasonable high. On December 26 the temperature reached 55 degrees in the central part of the State and 60 in the southern. Heavy snows fell in some parts of the State during the latter part of the period but most of it disappeared before the close. All parts of the State had some snow with the heaviest about 18 inches in some areas in the northwest. Most reports indicate that bees are wintering very satisfactorily. Consumption of stores has not been so rapid as earlier. Clovers appear to be in good condition.

Illinois - Temperatures have been above normal, but too cold for bees to fly except around December 23 - 26, when good to partial flights were made. Moisture conditions are variable. In the northern part they are good. Central Illinois (and a broad part at that) continues to be very dry. Many cities still are on limited water rations. Many creeks and dredge ditches are still dry.

NORTHEASTERN STATES: (Period Dec. 13 - 27)

New York - A good snow cover was on the ground in northern areas at the close - in central and southern areas thawing weather with rains has removed much of the snow. Moisture conditions are generally good. The level of water in some of the Finger Lakes is 5 inches higher than at this time a year ago. Weather has not been warm enough to permit bee flights for some time. Bees in some colonies appear restless and are spotting the outside of the hives and winter cases. Holiday honey sales have continued fair to good.

Pennsylvania - Bees had a good cleansing flight December 26-27, which will be a big help in successful wintering.

New Jersey - Extremely cold weather prevailed the first part of the period, but temperatures on December 26 permitted bees to have a flight and move clusters to new stores. Many colonies have consumed 5 to 10 pounds of dry sugar on warm days when it was made available to them. Plenty of rain soaked into the soil before freezing, making moisture conditions favorable for clover plants.

SOUTH ATLANTIC AND SOUTH CENTRAL STATES: (Period Dec. 13 - 27)

Maryland - Normal winter temperatures prevailed this period, ranging from mild down to the low teens. A good cleansing flight was made on December 27. Producers in the vicinity of the District of Columbia of Tulip Poplar honey which is amber colored and mild flavored report demand continued normal for this period, with a slow but steady movement. Many orders are repeat orders. Local movement in the Blue Ridge mountain section was slow over the holidays.

Kentucky -There has been sufficient snow and rain to maintain good moisture conditions. The winter has been open and moderate to date.

Tennessee -Bees are wintering well. The weather has been dry and cool with light freezes. Temperatures warmed up during the day permitting cleansing flights. Some colonies are low in stores and will have to be fed in the early spring. A few have already starved. Producers have sold about all their honey.

SOUTHEASTERN STATES: (Period Nov. 27 - Dec. 13)

Florida - The coldest December on record has slowed bee activity. In south Florida colonies of bees are in variable condition. Some yards are being fed to keep bees from starving, especially where honey was taken too closely last season. In other yards the condition is good with plenty of stores. Some queen breeders were feeding colonies preparatory to queen rearing. In west-central areas a few colonies need feeding but most have a fair supply of reserve stores. Red maple is budding and will soon yield enough to stimulate broodrearing. Willow in protected spots is also about ready to open. In northern areas temperatures have dropped below freezing almost nightly, and bees have been inactive. Demand for large bulk lots of honey has been active in all areas of the State, with supplies in beekeepers' hands about exhausted.

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Mississippi - Movement of honey continued about normal at steady prices. Bees will need some feeding, depending upon location. Moisture is more plentiful, but still below normal.

Louisiana - Temperatures have dropped below freezing daily much of this period. Some colonies lost 3 to 5 pounds, which is about normal. Bee populations are lower than usual in some yards, attributed in part to the small fall nectar flow. Some colonies are getting low on stores and will have to be fed before fresh nectar becomes available. Feeding was already in progress in some yards. Demand for honey was about normal for this season of the year, with prices holding steady. Supplies remaining in beekeepers' hands are light. Queen- and package-shippers report some inquiry is being received.

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HONEY PRICE STABILIZATION: 1/

According to information furnished by the Specialty Crops Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Division, AMS, as of Jan. 1, 1955 quantities of honey on approved applications for subsidy payments under provisions of the Section 32 Program by the U. S. Department of Agriculture were as follows:

	Pounds
Export 2/	28,709,114
Domestic Diversion	688,000

HONEY PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM: 1/

The following information is provided by the Wage, Price & Commodity Program Branch, Sugar Division, CSS as of Nov. 15, 1954 -

	Loans Made	Loans Out-Standing	Purchase Agreements
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1954 Program:	1,288,247	1,076,027	701,050
TOTALS AS OF SAME PERIOD			
1953 Program	1,761,887	1,600,697	90,993
1952 Program	5,697,711	5,685,911	1,461,494

1/ Includes modifications of previous operations.
2/ Program effective July 21, 1954 and terminated Aug. 30, 1954.

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PARITY PRICES FOR HONEY:

The effective parity prices for wholesale extracted honey by months for 1954 were as follows:

Date	Parity Price 1/ Per Pound
1954	
Jan. 15	16.0¢
Feb. 15	16.0¢
Mar. 15	16.0¢
Apr. 15	16.0¢
May 15	16.1¢
June 15	16.2¢
July 15	15.8¢
Aug. 15	16.0¢
Sept. 15	15.8¢
Oct. 15	15.8¢
Nov. 15	15.8¢
Dec. 15	15.8¢

1/ Source - Monthly "Agricultural Prices" report of Crop Reporting Board.

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF HONEY AND BEESWAX
(Secured through the Bureau of Census)

EXPORTS OF HONEY FROM THE U. S. DURING OCTOBER, 1954 - by Country of Destination

Country	Pounds
West Germany	4,341,845
Canada (Incl. Newfoundland and Labrador)	1,276,316
Netherlands	345,050
Belgium and Luxembourg	324,546
France	153,300
Switzerland	71,400
Republic of the Philippines	34,248
British Malaya	1,440
Countries to which the number of shipments in the Sample is less than three	7,680
TOTAL	6,555,825
" Value	$738,119

IMPORTS OF HONEY INTO U.S. FOR OCTOBER, 1954 - by Country of Origin

Country	Pounds
Mexico	375,243
El Salvador	60,848
Guatemala	52,308
Dominican Republic	36,548
Cuba	16,260
Greece	5,567
Sweden	574
TOTAL	547,348
" Value	$48,424

IMPORTS OF BEESWAX (CRUDE) INTO U.S. DURING OCTOBER, 1954 - by Country of Origin

Country	Pounds
Turkey	132,462
Ethiopia (Abyssinia)	62,372
Angola	55,297
Chile	52,164
Dominican Republic	24,259
Portugal	20,832
Cuba	17,251
Argentina	13,791
Mexico	12,992
Egypt	6,614
Spanish Africa, n.e.c.	6,612
TOTAL	404,646
" Value	$209,095

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TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS FROM IMPORTANT MARKETS

(Arrivals include receipts during preceding two weeks. Unless otherwise shown prices represent sales or current quotations by brokers, local bottlers, or original receivers to wholesalers, large retailers, bakers, confectioners, or other large users. Market condition comments represent the opinion of the trade and are for the last half of December. All quotations are extracted unless otherwise shown. 60-lb. cans are on a pound basis and smaller units of extracted and other types of honey are on per case basis unless otherwise shown. Beeswax prices are per pound.)

BOSTON: Arrivals - 18,000 lbs. domestic. Demand good, market about steady.

White, Clover, 6, 5-lb. jars	5.80
6, 3-lb. decanters	4.05
12, 2-lb. jars	6.25
24, 1-lb. jars	6.00-6.50
12, 1-lb. jars	3.30
12, 1-lb. servers	4.70
24, 12-oz. jars	5.25
24, 8-oz. jars	3.55-3.95
mostly	3.85-3.95
CREAMED, 12, 12-oz. cups	2.60-2.65

CHICAGO: Arrivals - 182,400 lbs. domestic. Demand good, market slightly stronger.

60-lb. tins MIDWESTERN	
White Clover	.15- .16
some Fancy Wisconsin	.18½
Light Amber	.15- .15½
some low as	.14
high as	.16½
White Clover	
Cartons, 12, 5-lb. tins	11.80
White Clover, in jars	
6, 5-lb.	5.80
12, 2-lb.	5.75
12, 1-lb.	3.05
24, 1-lb. (self-serve containers)	6.00
24, 12-oz.	5.10
24, 8-oz. (self-serve containers)	3.70
36, 4-oz.	3.06
CREAMED 12, 12-oz.	2.50

CINCINNATI: Arrivals - 39,480 lbs. domestic. Demand good, market firm.

White Clover MIDWESTERN, drums	.16
Light Amber " "	.13
" " " 60-lb. tins	.13½
White Clover " " " "	.16½-.19½
24, 8-oz. jars	3.85
12, 8-oz. jars	1.60
24, 1-lb. jars	6.50
12, 1-lb. jars	2.60
12, 2-lb. jars	5.10-6.25
12, 5-lb. jars	10.75
6, 5-lb. jars	5.80
6, 3-lb. decanter	4.05
12, 1-lb. server jars	4.70
CREAMED 12, 1-lb.	6.50

DENVER: Supplies light. Demand moderate, market steady.

Sweet Clover, COLORADO	
12, 28-oz. jars	5.15-5.35
12, 20-oz. jars	4.50-4.70
12, 8-oz. jars	2.25-2.35
24, 8-oz. jars	4.00-4.25
24, 16-oz. jars	6.25-6.60
12, 32-oz. jars	6.10-6.50
12, 5-lb. tins	11.75-12.65
6, 5-lb. jars	6.75
CREAMED 24, 12-oz. cups	6.90- 7.00
12, 12-oz. glass	2.80- 3.00

DETROIT: Arrivals - 45,010 lbs. domestic. Demand good, market firm.

Mixed Flowers, mostly White Clover	
6, 5-lb.	5.30-5.45
few	5.60
12, 2-lb. few	5.10
24, 1-lb.	5.15-5.25
few	5.35
24, 8-oz.	3.00-3.15

KANSAS CITY: Arrivals - none. Market steady.

6, 5-lb. jars	5.25-5.75
12, 2-lb. jars	5.00-5.30
24, 1-lb. jars	5.20-5.80
24, 8-oz. jars	3.40-3.70
some brands 10-25% higher	

LOS ANGELES: Demand good.

White (or better) Orange, Sage, Clover	
6, 5-lb. glass or tin	6.40
12, 32-oz. jars	6.34-6.35
12, 24-oz. jars	4.85
12, 16-oz. jars	3.32-3.35
12, 12-oz. jars	2.61-2.65
24, 8-oz. jars	3.80
Light Amber, Blended Flavors	
12, 5-lb. tins	9.10
24, 1-lb. jars	5.40
Light Amber, Mixed Flowers	
6, 5-lb. tins	4.55
Extra Light Amber, Alfalfa	
12, 5-lb. tins	10.20
Extra Light Amber, Blended Flavors	
12, 32-oz. jars	5.16
12, 16-oz. jars	2.70
24, 8-oz. jars	3.20
White (or better) Orange	
24, 12-oz. jars	4.87
White (or better) Buckwheat	
24, 8-oz. jars	3.80
White Orange-Clover	
12, 1-lb. glass servers	4.50
CREAMED White (or better) Orange-Clover	
12, 12-oz. cups	2.75
24, 12-oz. cups	5.50
CHUNK COMB White, Orange, Sage, Clover	
12, 1-lb. jars	5.15
White (or better) Clover	
12, 12-oz. packages	4.80
24, 8-oz. packages	5.50

BEESWAX: Arrivals - by truck 20,000 lbs. domestic. Demand good, market firm. Purchases by local receivers delivered Los Angeles - mostly .47
few dark low as .45

PITTSBURGH: Arrivals - by truck 42,600 lbs. domestic. Demand moderate, market steady.

White Clover and Light Amber	
6, 5-lb. jars	5.80
6, 3-lb. jars	4.05
24, 1-lb. jars	5.50-6.50
24, 8-oz. jars	3.50-3.85
12, 1-lb. server mugs	4.70
CREAMED 24, 1-lb. jars	6.50

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MINNEAPOLIS: Arrivals - by truck, 60-lb. cans Minn., White Sweetclover 275; Light Amber 125. Demand for large containers slow, small containers fair, market steady.

Prices to jobbers -

U. S. Fancy Blended honey

24, 8-oz. jars	3.25
12, 1-lb. jars	2.60
12, 2-lb. jars	5.30
6, 3-lb. jars	3.60
6, 5-lb. tins	5.30
6, 5-lb. jars	5.80
24, 7½-oz. tumblers	4.20
12, 14-oz. tumblers	3.95
12, 11-oz. glass mugs	3.15
CREAMED 12, 11-oz. glass mugs	3.35
60-lb. cans per lb.	
White Sweetclover	.17
Light Amber	.16

BEESWAX: Arrivals - by truck 255 lbs.

Dealers paying -cash	.38
Trade	.40

NEW YORK: Arrivals - by boat 27 drs. Mexico; 30 cs. Australia; 42 ctns. Chile; 31 cs. Germany; 19 cs. Greece; 10 ctns. England; 16 cs. Italy; 201 drs. Cuba; 55 drs. Guatemala; 1 case Holland. Demand moderate, market strong, offerings domestic negligible. Sales and nominal quotations -

IMPORTED ex dock New York City duty paid

MEXICO, drums	.13- .14
YUCATAN, drums	.13- .14
GUATEMALA, drums	.14

Ex Warehouse and ex dock, 60s

MIDWESTERN and INTERMOUNTAIN

White Clover, nominal	.18- .20
Light Amber, Bakers Blend	.15- .16

Domestic White Clover

6, 5-lb. tins	5.75-6.40
24, 8-oz. jars	3.60-3.75
24, 1-lb. jars	5.95-6.70
12, 2-lb. jars	5.70-6.35
12, 3-lb. jars	7.55
12, 1-lb. jars	3.20

Domestic Light Amber Mixed Flowers

24, 8-oz. jars	3.08
24, 1-lb. jars	5.16-5.45
12, 1-lb. jars	2.90
12, 2-lb. jars	4.92-5.55
12, 3-lb. jars	5.45
6, 5-lb. tins	5.45
24, 1-lb. tins	5.66
Domestic, Orange 24, 8-oz. jars	3.68
12, 1-lb. jars	3.20
24, 2-lb. jars	6.11
24, 1-lb. jars	6.40
6, 5-lb. tins	6.40

BEESWAX: Arrivals - by boat- Arabia 100 blocks; Cuba 69 bags; Ecuador 8 bags; Fr. Somiland 180 blocks; Dominican Republic 289 bags; Egypt 141 bags; Haiti 24 bags; Mexico 106 bags; Greece 125 bags. Offerings light. Market strong, wide range prices.

AFRICA	.56- .58
CENTRAL AMERICA	.60- .65
" Dark	.58- .59
WEST INDIES	.58- .62
SOUTH AMERICA	.62- .66

PHILADELPHIA: Arrivals - 56,300 lbs. domestic. Supplies light. Demand good, market firm.

Domestic White Clover

60-lb. tins per lb. few holdovers	.16½
24, 1-lb. jars	5.55
24, 8-oz. jars	3.25

Blended Sweet and White Clover

6, 5-lb. jars	5.80
24, 1-lb. jars	6.50
12, 1-lb. jars few	3.30
CREAMED 12, 12-oz. jars	2.65

PORTLAND: Arrivals - approximately 20,000 lbs. domestic. Supplies moderate. Demand moderate, market steady.

12, 5-lb. tins	10.80-11.00
showing granulation	10.25
12, 24-oz. jars	4.80- 5.00
24, 12-oz. jars	5.30- 5.40
24, 8-oz.	3.95- 4.00
Bulk 5 gal. cans Light Amber	.16½- .17
Dark	.14 - .15

COMB, new crop, IDAHO

24, 12-oz. Fancy	7.75
10-oz. No. 1	6.25

CREAMED, White Clover

24, 1-lb. cups	6.25

BEESWAX: Dealers paying in cash or trade .45

ST. LOUIS: Market firm to slightly stronger.

60-lb. tins COLORADO and NORTHERN

White Clover	.16
Light Amber	.14½- .15
White Clover, 6, 5-lb. tins	6.15
Wh. Clover & Mxd. Flowers, 6, 5 lb.	5.65-6.25-
mostly	5.80-6.25
12, 2-lb. jars	6.10-6.25
mostly	6.25
24, 1-lb. jars	5.40-6.50
mostly	6.25-6.50
24, 12-oz. jars	5.25
24, 8-oz. jars	3.25-3.85
mostly	3.80-3.85
CREAMED 12, 12-oz. packages	2.65

SAN FRANCISCO: Arrivals - 2,444 cans domestic. Demand moderate, market about steady.

Domestic, Light Amber (or better) Orange, Clover, Sage, Thistle and some blended - Flavors -

24, 8-oz. jars	3.05-3.50
24, 12-oz. jars	4.70-5.40
24, 12-oz. jars Sage with cut comb	7.50
12, 8-oz. jars	1.34
12, 12-oz. jars	1.88
12, 12-oz. jars Sage, with cut comb	3.00
12, 1-lb. jars	2.40-3.04
12, 1½-lb. jars	3.20-3.53
12, 2-lb. jars	4.75-5.64
12, 5-lb. cans	8.45-9.24

SEATTLE: Arrivals - 14,780 lbs. Market steady.

Sweetclover-Alfalfa, Light Amber

12, 5-lb. tin pails	10.25-10.80
12, 2-lb. jars	5.50- 6.10
24, 1-lb. jars	6.00- 6.50
24, 12-oz. jars	5.30
12, 24-oz. jars	5.00
24, 8-oz. jars	3.95
CREAMED 24, 1-lb. cups	6.25
24, 14-oz. cups	5.50
24, 12-oz. cups	5.40
24, 6½-oz. cups	3.00

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